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USTLING AT NEW FISH PIER

Work on the exteriors of the building on the New Boston Fish Pier, in South Boston, which is to replace the old fish mart of New England, is practically completed, and the interiors are being finished rapidly. The approach from the land side of the finished pier one will first note the greater freezer plant; from the other side it will be the Administration Building which will be first seen. The Administration Building will occupy the front of the pier. Here will be located the New England Fish Exchange, upon the floor of which all fish handled in the city is bought and sold, and the wholesale prices are made. Besides the Exchange proper, the offices of the Boston Fish Market Corporation, the directors' room and the cashiers' department will be located in this building.

The office of the information and publicity department of the Fish Exchange, the aim of which will be to educate the public on the subject of fish, will also be in this building. Like all the other structures on the new pier the Administration building is of concrete tastefully trimmed. It will be heated, like the other structures by power from the cold storage plant, and inside will be fitted with all the latest appliances.

HONOR HADDOCK ABOVE THE COD

Has the sacred codfish been given the icy mitten? This is the question which the new weathervane erected at the top of the flagpole at the New Boston Fish Pier, to which the T-harf folks are soon to move, has stirred up in local fishing circles. For some experts say that the big bronze fish weathervane represents a haddock.

There are several ways of telling a haddock from a cod or vice versa. A haddock has a stripe on its sides, and its backbone is flat, whereas the neck of the cod is round. But the three-foot bronze fish cannot be distinguished in this way. So recourse is had by the experts to the shape of the head, which in the cod is a bit flatter than in the haddock. The experts insist that the head of the weathervane fish is that of a haddock. But at any rate, whether it be haddock or cod, the big bronze fish has been put on top of the flagpole to show the fishermen how the wind blows. Down at T wharf they have never had any conspicuous weathervane, principally because the fishermen claim they can tell the direction of the wind by its odor. But over at the new pier, where everything is to be strictly sanitary, there won't be any odors, and if the authorities in charge have their way even the sea weather vane will be not only ornamental but necessary.

STORM HOLDS SHORE FLEET IN

Gill Netters Had About 20,000 Pounds Haddock and Pollock Yesterday.

Yesterday's receipts from the gill netters amounted to 20,000 pounds, mostly pollock and haddock, which were shipped to Boston.

A large number of the shore fleet are in port today, while several of the gill netters put back during the morning, on account of the weather outside.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Medomak, gill netting, 100 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. R. J. Killick, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Brida F., gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nomad, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lorena, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 555 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Hugo, gill netting, 435 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Alice, gill netting, 650 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, shore.

Sch. Edith Silveria, shore.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, shore.

Sch. Priscilla, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, shore.

Sch. Flora L. Oliver, shore.

Sch. Jeanette, shore.

Sch. Jorgina, shore.

Str. James W. Gifford, Stonington, Conn.

Vessels Sailed.

No sailings today.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.75 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75; snappers, \$3.50.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$5.00; medium, \$4.50.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5.50; medium, \$4.50.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; mediums \$2.00; snappers, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$2.00.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.

Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$2.00; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2.15; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$2.00; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 90c; round, 80c.

Newfoundland bulk salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

Newfoundland pickled herring, \$4.50 per bbl.

Newfoundland frozen herring, \$1-2c per lb.

Fresh halibut, 18c per lb for white and 14c for gray.

CAPT. GRIFFIN HAS FINE FARE

Sch. Conqueror Has 3500 Lbs. Halibut Beside 66,000 Lbs. Groundfish.

Sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Griffin, is at Boston this morning with a nice fare, hailing for 66,000 pounds of groundfish and 3500 weight of halibut.

Outside of this arrival the only other receipts were from three shore fares, which brought 26,000 pounds.

Wholesalers paid \$3 to \$4.55 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$4 to \$4.50 for large and \$2.50 for market cod, \$3.50 to \$6 for hake, \$4.25 for pollock and \$2 for cusk.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 5000 haddock, 800 cod.

Sch. Buema, 10,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Harriett, 15500 haddock, 900 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Conqueror, 50,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 7000 cusk, 3500 halibut.

Haddock, \$3 to \$4.55 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$3.50 to \$6; pollock, \$4.25; cusk, \$2.

N. F. BANKERS ARE STARTING

Three new bankers will be added to the western Newfoundland banking fleet this season, one just off the stocks at Shelburne, for Capt. Tom Shave, of Burin, and two others recently purchased. The additions will bring the fleet up to 108 vessels, including the few that prosecute the bank fishery from the northward.

A number of vessels are starting out for the banks this week.

Halibut at Portland.

Sch. Eugenia was at Portland yesterday with 4000 pounds fresh halibut which sold at 8 cents a pound for white and 6 cents for grays.

Will Spend More This Year.

James Walsh, representative in Cape Breton for the big Gloucester fish concern of Gorton-Pew Co., who was on a business trip to the latter place, returned home last week, owing to the serious illness of his mother. During the season just closed, Mr. Walsh paid out to Victoria County fishermen and others, several thousand dollars for his firm, and expects the season of 1914 to eclipse all others in the matters of exporting of fish. He leaves tomorrow for Boston and Gloucester, and from the latter place he proceeds to the Gaspe shore.—North Sydney Herald, Feb. 4.

Snapper Fishing Growing.

Says the Pensacola News: Indicating the growth of the snapper business in the Gulf of Mexico, in addition to the numerous purchases of New England fishing smacks by Pensacola fishing concerns, Gulfport is also going in for the New England boats to engage extensively in the snapper fishing business. Two smacks are already enroute to Gulfport from Gloucester and nearby ports. They are the N. A. Rowe and Lillian, which sailed last week. They will be followed almost immediately by two more, it being understood that four new smacks have been purchased from Gloucester parties by Gulfport firms.

The smacks will make stops at Key West to take on water, ice and provisions and will go to Gulfport via the Campeachy snapper banks.

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Provincetown Fishing News.

Sch. Valerie, Capt. Gaspa, shared \$20 on the trip landed this week.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, Capt. Santos, shared \$28 on the first trip of the season.

Sch. Delphine Cabral barely escaped being run down by a five-master schooner Friday night.

The following catches of flounders were made by the local sloops on four fish days last week:

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| Delphine | 49 bbls. |
| Little Jennie | 8 bbls. |
| Barbara | 20 bbls. |
| Vesta | 46 bbls. |
| Torpedo | 23 bbls. |
| Magnolia | 47 bbls. |
| Iris | 32 bbls. |
| Briganza | 30 bbls. |
| John W. Caswell | 24 bbls. |
| Bonita | 30 bbls. |
| Jessie | 21 bbls. |
| Nancy | 17 bbls. |
| Active | 50 bbls. |
| Leah C. | 54 bbls. |
| Reliance | 42 bbls. |
| Kathie C. | 42 bbls. |
| Pearl | 48 bbls. |
| Jessie D. | 46 bbls. |
| Hobo | 14 bbls. |
| Albert Brown | 50 bbls. |
| Mary P. Milo | 15 bbls. |
| Golden Eagle | 59 bbls. |
| Mary G. | 51 bbls. |
| Annie and Cecelia | 20 bbls. |
| Leonora | 10 bbls. |
| Harry and Thelma | 30 bbls. |
| Sch. Progress, Capt. Antone King, shared \$40 each on the recent trip. | |

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BIGGEST DAY OF THE WINTER

**Off-Shores in Large Number
Bring Fine Fares of
Haddock and Cod.**

This morning's receipts of fresh fish at T wharf was the largest of the winter for any single day, a big fleet of off shores from Brown's and LeHave arriving over Sunday with big fares of haddock and cod.

Dealers were smiling, for fish were wanted and trading started off very well. The largest fares are schs. Manhasset, 60,000 pounds; Thos. S. Gorton, 68,000 pounds; Arethusa, 83,000 pounds; Onato, 68,000 pounds; Fannie Belle Atwood 46,000 pounds; Morning Star, 65,000 pounds; Elsie, 52,000 pounds; Gertrude DeCosta, 66,000 pounds; Terranova, 84,000 pounds; steamers Surf, 66,000 pounds; Foam, 48,000 pounds.

Sch. Catherine Burke, Capt. Daniel McDonald is in with a halibut fare, his hall being for 18,000 pounds besides some fresh fish.

Opening prices were \$3 to \$4 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$4 to \$4.50 for large and \$2 to \$2.50 for market cod, \$4 to \$5 for hake and \$4 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Foam, 47,000 haddock, 400 cod, 1600 lemon sole.
Sch. Spray, 22,000 haddock, 1600 cod, 300 lemon sole.
Sch. Manhasset, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.
Sch. Thos. S. Gorton, 55,000 haddock, 13,000 cod.
Sch. Catherine Burke, 10,000 cod, 6000 hake, 500 cusk, 18,000 halibut.
Sch. Arethusa, 60,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 10,000 cusk.
Sch. Onato, 40,000 haddock, 19,000 cod, 3000 cusk.
Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 30,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 4000 cusk.
Sch. Morning Star, 50,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 cusk.
Sch. Flora L. Oliver, 37,000 haddock, 7500 cod, 3000 halibut.
Sch. Elsie, 30,000 haddock, 7500 cod, 15,000 cusk, 400 halibut.
Sch. Gertrude DeCosta, 35,000 haddock, 16,000 cod, 3000 hake, 12,000 cusk.
Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 18,000 haddock, 800 cod.
Sch. Dixie, 200 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Actor, 300 haddock, 9500 cod.
Sch. Terranova, 70,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.
Str. Surf, 63,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1500 hake.
Haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$4 to \$5; pollock, \$4.

New Nova Scotia Banker.

Capt. Joseph Conrad of LaHave is having a new fishing schooner built at McGills yard, Shelburne. Capt. Conrad is one of the most successful fishing skippers out of LaHave, and last season was in command of the sch. Ornate.

FRED THOMPSON HERE WITH TRIP

**Hustling Skipper of Sch.
Gov. Foss Only 9 Days
Out—Has 60,000**

Only nine days out, sch. Gov. Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, who has been "doing things" in the haddock fishery this winter, is again in this morning, hailing for the nice fare of 60,000 lbs. of mixed fish.

Sch. Gov. Foss was the only vessel arrival of the forenoon here. The gill netters did but little over Saturday and Sunday on account of the heavy wind outside and this morning, most of the fleet were obliged to put back again to port on account of the blustery weather.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Gov. Foss, Brown's Bank, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Medomak, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Str. Sunflower, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Adeline, shore.
Sch. Manomet, shore.
Sch. Rose Standish, shore.
Sch. Mary F. Sears, shore.
Sch. Harriet, shore.
Sch. Priscilla Smith, shore.
Sch. Jorgina, shore.
Sch. Jeanette, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Corona, halibuting.
Sch. Stiletto, halibuting.
Sch. Ingomar, haddocking.
Sch. Manomet, haddocking.
Sch. Flora L. Oliver, haddocking.
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, haddocking.

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Haddock, \$2.00.
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Week's Receipts at T Wharf.

Fresh groundfish receipts at Boston for the week ending February 6 totalled 1,653,700 pounds from 57 arrivals as compared with 1,041,590 pounds from 36 arrivals for the corresponding week of 1913.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Commonwealth arrived at Liverpool Friday and cleared.

Possibilities of Labrador Fishery.

There is still however, evidence of a considerable decline, which is reflected in the depopulation of some of the Conception Bay towns. It is therefore a very serious matter deserving of most careful investigation. It is confidently believed that the fisheries on the Labrador coast are capable of enormous extension if pursued on the lines of the Bank fishery which has been thoroughly proven by the success of the Banking fleet fishing of the coast in recent years. The chief reason perhaps why this method of fishing has not been actively pursued is, that hitherto, the fish could not have been sold to advantage after it was caught. But with the opening of the United States market, the thought arises that possibly arrangements might be made to ship it there. It must be borne in mind, however, that trap fish, which is usually small, is unsuitable, and only large and medium fish, such as is caught on trawls by bankers, can be sent to the United States markets.—St. John's, N. F. Board of Trade Report.

Newfoundland West Coast Notes.

The Newfoundland Western Shore banking fleet will be making ready for the voyage within the next couple of weeks and will be on about same scale as in former years. Capt. Kenneth Fudge will have a motor power schooner.

The motor boat has evidently come to stay in this section as a means of fishing. Those who ventured into the business last season have evidently reaped a good harvest.

Capt. Petite of English Harbor West has added another splendid schooner to his fleet, the Effie May Petite.

The day of the small banking schooner is evidently passing, if not already passed. Both skippers and men want larger vessels, and the owners have realized that the larger craft is a more profitable venture.

Salt Mackerel Imports.

Imports of salt mackerel received at Boston to date are 26,050 barrels of the 1913 catch against 24,853 barrels of the catch of 1912.

North Sydney Harbor Open.

Says the North Sydney Herald: The old icebreaker, the steamer Stanley, arrived here last Friday, being brought here on the foolish errand to break the ice along the Sydney wharves. There was no earthly reason for bringing the old craft here, as open water extends everywhere along the North Sydney waterfront, and the publicity thus given the ice conditions at Sydney can do that ice-bound place no good. Besides, there is no shipping going on at Sydney and the ferry boats won't run. Shipping continues at the Scotia piers here.

EUGENIA SAW BURNING PALMER

The handline sch. Eugenie of the port, arrived at Portland Friday from a four weeks' cruise on Brown's Bank having about 4000 pounds of fish but, 4000 pounds of fresh fish and 5000 pounds of salt cod. One would naturally suppose that the dealer would have tumbled over one another to have secured the small catch, halibut, it being the first landed here for some time, but the result was just the opposite, says the Portland Argus. None of them seemed to want it and the skipper finally disposed of his lot at a ridiculously low figure, a regular summer price. The eastern market is flooded with Pacific coast halibut at the present time, there being a very light demand for eastern fish. The captain reports a few days' rough weather on the banks and the loss of one of his anchors. He also reports passing the burning five-masted schooner Fuller Palmer on the night of January 14 on the edge of Georges Bank, it being a magnificent spectacle, being in flames from stem to stern.

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NOT ACTIVE AT FULTON MARKET

Trade was not very active in salt water fish industry last week. There was an abundance of priced green fish, still buyers were taking supplies in hand to meet quantities; hoping that before prices would be materially lower. This they are likely to be mistaken indications at this time indicate snow storm which will not only cut prices of groundfish to advance, also all other kinds with the possible exceptions of Spanish mackerel and shad.

Very few bluefish reached market. Some small ones were sale last Saturday at 18 to 20 cents and no others came to hand on Thursday when small blues sold at 25 cents and mediums at 28 to 30 cents. Friday's price was 25 to 28 cents. Groundfish prices were: Cod, 1-2 to 4 cents; steak cod, 4 to 8 cents; haddock, 5-12 to 7 cents and pollock, 4 to 6 cents.

There was no hake to be had day but Saturday when the price was 6 to 7 cents.

Western white halibut was cheap in price than at any other time during the last three months. Carlots reached the market during the first half of the week and were made at 9 to 10 cents, while quotations from Wednesday to Friday was 7 to 8 cents.